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SUBJECT: CITRUS PROBLEMS

REF: STATE 11105

1. EMBASSY, INCLUDING AGATT, HAS HAD A NUMBER OF DISCUSSIONS WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY AND MIN HEALTH AND WELFARE OFFICIALS DURING THE DAY WITH FOLLOWING RESULTS:

2. JAPANESE SAY CHANGES WHICH THEY PROPOSE TO ENFORCE FROM MARCH 1 ARE ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY BECAUSE OF DIET OBJECTIONS TO THE LACK OF INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO MHW.

3. ADVICE FROM MHW IS THAT "NATURAL" SUBSTANCES ARE ADMISSIBLE. THIS WOULD INCLUDE WAXES DERIVED FROM NATURAL SUBSTANCES AND CERTAIN SUBSTANCES OBTAINED FROM DECOMPOSITION OF PETROLEUM SUCH AS NAPHTHA. MHW HAS NOT OFFICIALLY RULED ON THE ACCEPTABILITY OF WAXES WHICH CAN BE CONSIDERED CHEMICAL
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COMPOUNDS, BUT THESE WOULD NOT BE ACCEPTABLE IF THEY ARE

NOT SPECIFICALLY APPROVED.

4. MHW IS CONSIDERING IN DETAIL WHETHER POLYPALE WAX MAY NOT BE ACCEPTABLE AS OF NATURAL ORIGIN IN SPITE OF CALCIUM CONTENT. MINISTRY APPARENTLY FEELS APPROVAL OF POLYPALE WOULD ALLEVIATE PROBLEM FOR U.S. CITRUS PROCESSORS.

5. MATSUOKA IN JAPANESE EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON REPORTS STARKEY OF STR ASKED WHETHER THESE DECISIONS WERE TAKEN WITH PRIOR KNOWLEDGE OF TOP POLICY OFFICIALS IN GOJ. FOREIGN MINISTRY ADVISES THAT THESE REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY MHW AND NOT REQUIRING CABINET CONSIDERATION. THUS, THEY ARE LOWEST FORM OF REGULATION AND DO NOT NECESSARILY REPRESENT GOJ POLICY.

6. EC MIN IS MEETING WITH DEP DIR GEN NOMURA AT FOREIGN MINISTRY THIS AFTERNOON TO REQUEST DEFERRAL OF EFFECTIVE DATE OF NEW IMPORT RULES.
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